IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

PRESENT :

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE A.K.BASHEER

WEDNESDAY, THE 27TH JUNE 2007 / 6TH ASHADHA 1929

WP(C).No. 7717 of 2007(S)

PETITIONER:

SMT.GOURIKUTTY AMMA, ELAMAKKAVIL, OMALLOOR.P.O., PATHANAMTHITTA.

(RETIRED I GRADE LIBRARIAN, NSS COLLEGE, PANDALAM)

(SUO MOTU PROCEEDINGS INITIATED ON A PETITION RECEIVED FROM THE ABOVE PERSON).

RESPONDENTS:

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1. THE STATE OF KERALA REPRESENTED BY ITS CHIEF SECRETARY, GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM.

2. THE PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, HIGHER EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM.

3. THE DIRECTOR OF COLLEGIATE EDUCATION, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM.

BY GOVERNMENT PLEADER SRI.T.T.MUHAMOOD.

THIS WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) HAVING BEEN FINALLY HEARD ON 27/06/2007, THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY DELIVERED THE FOLLOWING:

A.K. Basheer, J.

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Dated this the 27th day of June, 2007.

J U D G M E N T

This writ petition has been taken on file suo motu on a petition received from Smt.Gourikutty Amma of Pathanamthitta district. She retired as Librarian, Grade I while she was working in NSS College, Panthalam. The crux of the issue is whether she is entitled to be placed as Librarian, Grade I under the UGC Scheme.

2. Having heard learned counsel and having perused the materials on record, I do not deem it necessary to refer to the various contentions raised by the petitioner in this case.

3. In the counter affidavit filed by respondent No.3 it is stated that the matter has been taken up before the Government yet again and that the Government is now in seisin of the same. It is further averred that further action will be taken in accordance with the instructions from the Government.

4. In that view of the matter, I am satisfied that the writ petition can be disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2 to take a decision in the matter in the light of the averments made in the counter affidavit field by respondent No.3 as expeditiously as possible, at any rate within 4 months from the date of receipt of a copy of this judgment. Ordered accordingly.

The Registry shall forward the entire documents including the counter affidavit along with a certified copy of the judgment to respondent No.2 for compliance.

A.K. Basheer
Judge.

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